Bio for Chris Kinnard, Gold Star Wives of America, Inc

Full Name: Christine Margaret Kinnard

Job Title: Co-Chair for Government Relations Committee, Gold Star Wives of America, Inc.(GSW)

I am the widow of James Edward Kinnard, U. S. Army who was killed in Viet Nam on March 7, 1969. I have been a member of GSW since 1970. I was the Chapter President for San Diego Chapter during the year 1971when we, as a brand new chapter, played hostesses the 26th National Convention in San Diego. I moved to Montana in 1974 where there were no chapters and now means to contact other widows. I was a Member at Large for many years and raised two children. I currently live in Colorado Springs where I am a member of the local Cheyenne Mountain Chapter and am the treasurer.

I have recently retired from my profession as a Registered Dietitian. I have worked as the Director of Dietetic departments in hospitals and nursing homes well as a clinical dietitian. I had the opportunity to be one of the original dietitians in Montana to start the national Women, Infant, and Children nutritional supplement program (WIC). I also worked on two Indian reservation with Indian Health Service.